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SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

The following is a summary of the July 11, 2003 interview between the undersigned Examiner Rossi. U.S. Patent No. 6,176,962 was discussed. The undersigned brought the passage at col. 3, lines 5-7 where Soane teaches slow cooling, whereas the present invention can be used with a more rapid cooling. The Examiner pointed out that "rapid cooling" was not specifically claimed. Pending claim 23, however, does refer to cooling the substrate for "up to 30 seconds" which Applicants submit distinguishes from Soane.

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